

Safe order for removal and disposal of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): High possibility or confirmed case of VHF and confirmed or suspected Mpox Clade I (HCID).

The buddy is wearing the following PPE while helping the HCW remove their contaminated PPE: hospital scrubs, disposable over boots, disposable fluid repellent surgical gown, disposable full-face visor or half-face visor with an attached fluid repellent surgical face mask, surgical gloves.

The removal of PPE should be led by the buddy and should be done slowly, methodically and without interruptions.

1. On leaving the patient room, the HCW steps into designated dirty area onto a large disposable plastic sheet. All contaminated PPE is placed onto this sheet. The buddy does a 360-degree check of the HCW's PPE (including soles of the over boots) for visible blood or body fluid contamination before removing any of the PPE. Visible contamination should be removed using chlorine-based disinfection wipes. **N.B. If the HCW's apron and top pair of gloves are heavily contaminated with blood or body fluids they should remove these before leaving the patient room.**



2. The buddy applies ABHR onto the HCW gloved hands.
3. HCW removes disposable plastic apron, care being taken not to contaminate visor.



4. HCW removes outer pair of gloves.



5. The buddy applies ABHR onto the HCW remaining gloves and applies ABHR to their own gloves.
6. HCW removes the full-face visor.



- 7 The buddy applies ABHR onto the HCW gloved hands.
- 8 The buddy loosens storm tape of the HCW's coverall and unzips. The buddy applies ABHR to their gloved hands.



- 9 The HCW and buddy work together to carefully take down the hood of the coverall and rolling the coverall down over the shoulders turning the coverall inside out as it comes down.



10. The buddy helps the HCW to step out of coverall and over boots, keeping wellingtons on and standing on the inside out coverall.



11. The buddy applies ABHR onto the HCW gloved hands. The buddy applies ABHR to their gloved hands.
12. The HCW removes the remaining pair of gloves.



13. The buddy applies ABHR onto the HCW's hands.
14. The HCW removes the FFP3 respirator.



15. The buddy then ties up the disposable plastic sheet containing the contaminated PPE and places directly into designated waste receptacle.



16. The HCW steps into clean area and performs hand hygiene with ABHR.
17. The HCW removes the wellington boots.
18. The HCW immediately washes their hands.



19. The buddy ensures all contaminated PPE is secured in the designated waste receptacle.
20. The buddy removes their PPE: over boots, then disposable gown and gloves together and places in designated waste receptacle. Performs hand hygiene with ABHR before removing their facial and respiratory protection and places PPE in designated waste receptacle. Then performs hand hygiene and moves to the clean area.